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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK	
IN RE LOWER MANHATTAN DISASTER SITE LITIGATION	
MIGUEL URGILES AND MARTHA URGILES,	21 MC 102 (AKH)
WHOOLD ONGLES THE WHITTEN ONGLESS,	Civil Action No.:
	NOTICE OF ADOPTION

Plaintiff(s),

- against -

ALAN KASMAN DBA KASCO, AMBIENT GROUP, INC., AMG REALTY PARTNERS, LP, ANN TAYLOR STORES CORPORATION, BATTERY PARK CITY AUTHORITY, BLACKMON-MOORING-STEAMATIC CATASTOPHE, INC. D/B/A BMS CAT, BROOKFIELD FINANCIAL PROPERTIES, INC., BROOKFIELD FINANCIAL PROPERTIES, LP, BROOKFIELD PARTNERS, LP, BROOKFIELD PROPERTIES CORPORATION, BROOKFIELD PROPERTIES HOLDINGS INC, ENVIROTECH CLEAN AIR, INC., GPS ENVIRONMENTAL CONSULTANTS, INC., GRUBB & ELLIS MANAGEMENT SERVICES, HILLMAN ENVIRONMENTAL GROUP, LLC., INDOOR ENVIRONMENTAL TECHNOLOGY, INC., JONES LANG LASALLE AMERICAS, INC., JONES LANG LASALLE SERVICES, INC., KASCO RESTORATION SERVICES CO., MERRILL LYNCH & CO, INC., MOODY'S HOLDINGS, INC., NOMURA HOLDING AMERICA, INC., NOMURA SECURITIES INTERNATIONAL, INC., STRUCTURE TONE (UK), INC., STRUCTURE TONE GLOBAL SERVICES, INC., TOSCORP INC., WESTON SOLUTIONS, INC., WFP TOWER B CO. G.P. CORP., WFP TOWER B HOLDING CO., LP, AND WFP TOWER B. CO., L.P., ET AL,

Defendant(s).

COUNSELORS:

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that defendants, ANN TAYLOR STORES CORPORATION, as and for their responses to the allegations set forth in the Complaint by Adoption (Check-Off Complaint) related to the Master Complaint filed in the above-referenced action, hereby adopts ANN TAYLOR STORES CORPORATION's Answer to the Master Complaint dated August 8, 2007, which was filed in the matter of *In Re World Trade Center Lower Manhattan Disaster Site Litigation*, 21 MC 102 (AKH).

To the extent that ANN TAYLOR STORES CORPORATION's, Answer to the Master

Complaint does not comprehensively address any of the specific allegations within the Check-Off

Complaint in the above-captioned matter, ANN TAYLOR STORES CORPORATION denies

knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of such specific allegations.

WHEREFORE, ANN TAYLOR STORES CORPORATION demands judgment dismissing the above-captioned action as against it, together with its costs and disbursements.

Dated: New York, New York October 10, 2007

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